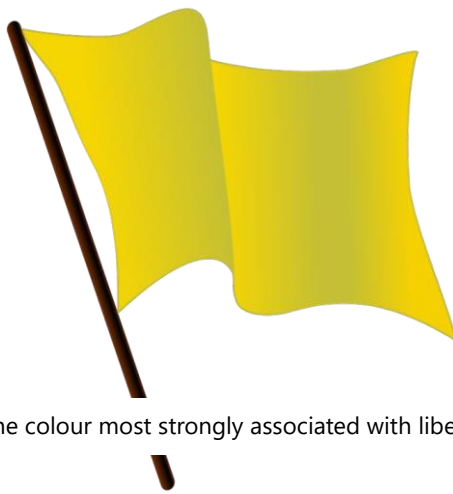


Liberalism in danger?



yellow is the colour most strongly associated with liberalism

WE HAVE TO LEARN AGAIN WHAT LIBERALISM IS ABOUT



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Liberalism, part of Western identity, is a hundreds of years old political and moral philosophy, in which freedom is central. The doctrine has been hijacked by authoritarian leaders and so-called intellectuals and is being sold as a failure, where the financial crisis, migration policy, climate change and other shortcomings of the system are used as arguments.

Don't fall for that, this is propaganda to weaken the West and is part of the war to create and make space for politics and ideologies that oppresses.

It is precisely because of that freedom (the right or the capacity of self-determination as an expression of the individual will), that has brought us well-being.

But the community in the West must do something to preserve its way of life and defend themselves against propaganda and attacks on the freedoms.

But how?

We will have to do some self-reflection and to adjust on aspects.

[Peter Daniel J. Mahoney's article](#) provides inspiration: "*Remember the goods, habits, and traditions that make a free society cohere, the "conservative foundations of the liberal order." These goods—healthy family life, a moral code rooted in religion and natural law, prudent and far-seeing statesmanship, the rule of law, a respect for legitimate institutions, love of truth—were largely taken for granted.*

As the philosopher [Michael Polyani](#) put it in the 1960s, the best of the liberal tradition, presupposed an "authoritative traditional framework" that could protect, nourish, and inform "the new self-determination of man." Liberalism, properly understood, presupposes the continuity of civilization. But it undermines itself if it demands "liberation" from all moral restraints.

At its best, liberalism must include a self-consciously conservative dimension. Rational self-mastery and the freedom to choose, goods cherished by liberals and conservatives alike, do not mean that individuals are radically independent, that they are completely sovereign over themselves and the world."